Born in Olathe, Kansas at a Marine Corp Air Station. Raised on various Military installations until 1972 when we settled in Rockledge, Florida. Master Chief Della Rocco joined the Coast Guard and attended recruit training at Cape May New Jersey in August 1978. (Papa 101)

Master Chief G. L. "Roc" Della Rocco previous assignments include; USCG Patrol Forces S.W. Asia, Serving as Port Engineer and Deck Watch Officer; MSO Miami(Command Senior Chief), CGC Cormorant (EPO); CGC Pt Martin (EPO); CGC Pt Barnes (4yrs, EPO); CGC Hudson (EPO); CGC Farallon (EPO); CGC Cape Shoalwater (AEPO), CGC Reliance (Main Prop MK2/MK1) and CG Station Cortez, Fl.

Master Chief Della Rocco is a 1978 graduate of Rockledge High School in Rockledge, Fl

Master Chief Della Rocco has both Engineering and Deck U.S. Merchant Marine Officer Licenses: CHIEF ENGINEER (LIMITED-OCEANS) OF MOTOR OR GAS TURBINE VESSELS OF ANY HORSEPOWER; FIRST ASSISTANT ENGINEER OF MOTOR OR GAS TURBINE VESSELS OF ANY HORSEPOWER; ALSO, DESIGNATED DUTY ENGINEER OF MOTOR OR GAS TURBINE VESSELS OF ANY HORSEPOWER.

MASTER OF STEAM OR MOTOR VESSELS OF NOT MORE THAN 500 GROSS REGISTERED TONS UPON OCEANS; MATE OF STEAM OR MOTOR VESSELS OF NOT MORE THAN 1600 GROSS TONS, ALSO RADAR OBSERVER with Merchant Marine Document Able Body Seaman-Unlimited.

Master Chief Della Rocco's awards include; Coast Guard Commendation Medal with "O", Navy/Marine Corp Commendation Medal, two Coast Guard Achievement Medals with "O", two Commandant's Letter of Commendations, Secretary' Outstanding Unit Award, Unit Commendation with Operational "O" device, eight Meritorious Unit Commendations with "O" device, two Meritorious Team Awards, five Special Operations Service Ribbons, two National Defense Service Medals, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Coast Guard Bicentennial Unit Commendation, seven Coast Guard Good Conduct awards, six Sea Service awards, the Expert Pistol, Expert Rifle, permanent Cutterman's Pin and Coxswain Pin.

Master Chief Della Rocco is married to the former Erma L. Page of Dallas, TX. They have four Children, Leora, Candice, Caroline, Bear and are expecting their fifth grandchild